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TO BREAK UNIONISM

Frisco Contractors and Builders Meet.

AGITATORS DEMANDS

Unions Blamed For Present Labor Troubles In San Francisco.

DRASTIC ACTION TALKED OF

Conservatives Finally Won and Had a Committee of Five Appointed To Confer With Unions To Secure Peace For at Least One Year.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 22.—The precipitation of a fearful industrial struggle in this city in throwing down the gauntlet to the trades unions by declaring a gigantic lockout of thousands of building craftsmen engaged in the work of rehabilitating San Francisco for a long time, hung in the balance this afternoon at a meeting of the principal builders and contractors and representatives of the manufacturers. Several speakers declared the only solution for the continual industrial strife and labor troubles in San Francisco was the "open shop" and urged immediate war upon the unions and a "fight to finish without quarter" by the cessation of all building operations until the employees would be glad to return to work at wages the builders and contractors could pay without loss to themselves. Agitators and the great demands of the unions it was asserted, was the cause for the present conditions in San Francisco and the only way to secure industrial peace was to break the backbone of unionism. Other speakers with equal vigor opposed such radical action, urged more conciliatory tactics in dealing with the situation, plead for the rights of the labor organizations and pointed out the possible results of such a tremendous struggle between capital and labor. The conservatives finally won and succeeded in having a resolution adopted calling for the appointment of a committee of five representing the builders and contractors to confer with the unions with view of securing peace for at least one year.

GOULD CASE.

Police Commissioner Bingham To Investigate the Affair.

NEW YORK, May 22.—Police Commissioner Bingham will issue subpoenas today for all persons to appear at headquarters who may be able to throw any light on the past played by the detective bureau in the affair of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gould. Among these who will be called to appear are Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gould, Delaney Nicoll, Gould's counsel; Clarence J. Shearn, Mrs. Gould's counsel; Edward Sholes, the circus man and "Big" Hawley, who, Mrs. Gould charges, in the complaint in the separation suit she has brought, was employed in the case.

NAVY SUICIDE.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—The Navy Department today received a dispatch from Commander Tappan, of the cruiser Tacoma, saying that Ensign A. T. Brisbin, who shot himself Sunday, died today.

HUMMEL ILL.

NEW YORK, May 22.—Abraham H. Hummel, the lawyer, who was committed to Blackwell's Island yesterday to serve a year's sentence for conspiracy, was too ill to leave his cell in the penitentiary today.

NEW YORK GRAND JURY.

Will Continue Investigation of Equitable Affairs This Month.

NEW YORK, May 22.—The special grand jury which is investigating life insurance matters as developed by the investigation of the Armstrong committee a year ago last fall is expected to take up the affairs of the Equitable Life Assurance Society under its old management today. The grand jury will continue its work on Equitable affairs during the rest of this month, and probably into June, as there is so much ground to be covered that District Attorney Jerome does not expect to get the Equitable rounded up in the present term.

It was said at the district attorney's office that the Equitable investigation would be on a different line from any of those which have been conducted thus far. There were in the Equitable, it was stated, transactions of the "year end" type closely corresponding to those in the Metropolitan Life, for which John R. Hegeman was indicted yesterday, and it is assumed that whatever other matters are covered, these would be presented to the attention of the grand jury.

ANNUAL TARGET PRACTICE.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 22.—The cruiser Boston, returned to port yesterday after a long sojourn on the Southern coast and proceeded to Martins Island where she is to be overhauled and given extensive repairs. For months the Boston has been lying in Magdalena Bay, Lower California, with the flagship Charleston and other vessels of the Pacific squadron where the various crews have been indulging in annual target practice.

KUROKI IN BOSTON

Japanese Are Interested in Harvard University.

KNOWN AS PRINCE BOUNTIFUL

General Kuroki Liberally Tipped Attaches of Hotel Astor—General Greatly Impressed With American Hustle and the Vivacity of the Americans

NEW YORK, May 22.—General Baron Tamemoto Kuroki, at 1 o'clock today will take his departure for Boston. His suites were engaged early today in the onerous task of packing baggage for the various souvenirs of New York City which they have gathered during their stay, made large packages by themselves. The Japanese visitors have found New York an unusually interesting place.

"General Kuroki," said one of his suite, "is amazed by the hustle of this great city. He expected to find all Americans hustlers, but New York truly shows great rapidity in the manner in which its citizens attend to their affairs. He has greatly enjoyed his stay here and truly every moment has been pleasant and full of interest. The vivacity of New York City men and women he greatly admires."

General Kuroki and his party will arrive in Boston early this evening and tomorrow they expect to devote to visiting Harvard University, in the history of which the Japanese are much interested.

General Kuroki has received the title of "Prince Bountiful" from the hotel Astor servants. He distributed presents among them all. Hall boy, waiter or clerk or other employee who contributed to his comfort, received some money, the total bounty amounting to nearly \$600.

To William C. Muschenheim, proprietor of the hotel, he gave a gold cigarette case, surrounded with dragons, and similar cases of silver to other hotel officials.

MURPHY-SUMMERS DRAW.

PHILADELPHIA, May 22.—Tommy Murphy, of New York, and John Summers of England, fought six-round draw tonight. The honors were even.

S. P. LIMITED WRECKED

Two Killed Over Twenty Injured.

TRAIN WRECKERS WORK

Removed Bolts and Sprung Rail Out With Wire as Train Approached.

TRAIN FALLS OFF A TRESTLE

Train Was Three Hours Late and Running Forty Miles An Hour When Accident Occurred—Cars Were Badly Crushed and Splintered.

LOS ANGELES, 22.—Private detectives employed by the Southern Pacific and deputies from the sheriff's office in this city, joined in the search for the men who are believed to have caused the disastrous wreck this morning on the Coast Line, when five cars of the Coast Line Limited plunged over the edge of a trestle near West Glendale, 10 miles north of here. The list of the dead is believed completed with the finding of the body of James Victor of whose antecedents nothing is known, and T. J. McMahon, the Santa Barbara electrician. The injured number a score. Physicians in charge of the dozen or more seriously injured tonight report that all the injured will eventually recover. A reward of \$10,000 has been offered by the Southern Pacific for the conviction of the persons responsible for the wreck.

LOS ANGELES, May 22.—Train No. 20 of the Southern Pacific Coast Limited Flyer, due at 9 o'clock last night was wrecked at West Glendale, 10 miles north of here at 12:30 this morning. The wreck was deliberate work of train wreckers. One man was killed and 22 persons injured, and three probably fatally.

In accomplishing the wreck of the train, which was the coast line limited, a devilish ingenuity had been exercised. At a point on a trestle over the Arroyo Seco, the fish plates and bolts of two connecting rails on the south-bound track had been removed, and in the apertures whence the bolts were taken strands of heavy wire were fastened at the end of each rail. From the appearance of the track after the wreck it was evident that some person hidden on a hillside close to the trestle had pulled the wire as the train approached, and spread the rails outward to the edge of the trestle. The train, three hours late, was traveling at a rate of between 35 and 40 miles an hour. The engine wheels were the first to leave the rails and the engine took to the ties, traveling nearly 100 yards before it was brought to a standstill. The tender, the diner, two Pullmans, the buffet, mail and baggage cars plunged over the edge of the trestle, falling a distance of 16 feet, the express car and one of the Pullmans were turned completely upside down and the others landed on their sides. All were badly crushed and splintered.

The man killed was T. J. McMahon, of Santa Barbara, a member of the Electrical Workers' Union. He is believed to have been stealing a ride on the baggage car, and had as his companion Frank Naylor, a 15-year-old boy from Santa Barbara, who was fatally injured. Among the others who were injured were the following:

T. H. YOUNG, Oakland, porter, cut above head, hip dislocated.

MRS. SHIDLER, Los Angeles, injured internally, will probably die.

MRS. ROSE FETTERMAN, Cleveland, arm broken, laceration of scalp and head, internal injuries, will probably die.

MISS FERN OPDYKE, Pittsburg, injured internally, scalp cut.

A. G. YOUNG, Marshall, Mo., cut about head and face, arm broken.

W. S. STITT, Los Angeles, left cheek badly cut, knee cap broken.

WILLIAM LOVE, Pullman porter, face cut, injured internally, will probably die.

G. H. ROBBINS, Los Angeles, injured internally.

N. E. JACOBS, Los Angeles, shoulder broken, right arm cut.

W. E. MILLER, cut about face, badly bruised.

P. H. BAKER, Portland, Or., cut about head and face, hip dislocated.

F. H. SHANLEY, dining car conductor, San Francisco, scalp wound and lacerations of face.

BEN DIXON, Oakland, dining car waiter, cut and bruised.

ED WILCOX, Oakland, second cook, cut and bruised.

R. REDWOOD, Oakland dining car waiter, cut and bruised.

McADOO INSPECTED TUNNELS.

Line to be Equipped With Fire-Proof Rolling Stock.

NEW YORK, May 22.—W. G. McAdoo, president of the Hudson & Manhattan Railroad Company, finished an inspection of the company's tunnels yesterday and said that by October 10 the line from Hoboken to Fourteenth Street and Sixth Avenue would be in operation.

The first of the cars for the McAdoo railroad service has arrived. It is wholly fireproof, even the cushions being non-inflammable. Hobokenites will have next fall, a subterranean and submarine transportation service of one and a half minutes each way.

AIRSHIP RACES

Chicago Aero Club to Hold a Tournament.

RACE WITH AUTOMOBILES

Wingjammers To Compete With "L" Trains, Automobiles and With Each Other—Kite-Flying Also To Be a Feature of Meeting.

CHICAGO, May 22.—When Chicago's airship fair, which will be opened on May twenty-fifth, pedestrians in the down town district will be treated to the unique spectacle of seeing the crafts of the air floating over the city, circling the Masonic Temple, racing with "L" trains, and automobiles and with each other. Airship men from all over the country will enter various kinds of dirigible balloons and aeroplanes in the contest, and the management has arranged for a number of races from the South side Park to points in the down town district.

The fair will be ushered in with a race on the opening day, the course to be from the Aero Club quarters at 64th Street and South Park Avenue to the Masonic Temple and return. The committee of the Aero Club, which met yesterday, announced that the fair would last for at least two weeks, and that races had been arranged for each day, weather permitting.

Among the novel features announced is a race with an elevated train from 64th and Calumet Avenue to 22nd Street. It is stipulated that the airship must remain directly above the "L" train during the whole course. A number of races with automobiles have also been arranged.

Each navigator who succeeds in sending his airship above the Masonic Temple, and encircling it, returning to the starting point will receive a cash bonus of \$500, while each contestant who makes a successful light will receive a prize of \$100. Each exhibitor who erects a tent and displays a motor-propelled airship or an aeroplane of demonstrated sailing ability, will receive \$300 to cover his expenses.

Kite flying will also be made a feature of the meeting.

SOCIALISTS IN BOISE

Counsel for Defense Regret Situation.

DEBS COMING TO BOISE

Haywood Jury Will Not be in Sympathy With Socialists Debs May Do Harm.

SPECIAL VENIRE READY

Senior Counsel for the State Hawley Will Make Opening Statement—Defense Discouraged Distribution of Socialistic Literature.

BOISE, May 22.—By use of train, stage and horse and some active bustling Sheriff Shad Hodgkin and his deputies managed today to round up a majority of the men included in the special venire of 60 men issued yesterday in the Steunenberg case and they all expect to be on hand when the trial is resumed tomorrow afternoon.

It has been decided that James H. Hawley, senior counsel for the state will make the opening statement. He and his associates were in conference on the subject today and also spent some time considering the testimony to be offered next week and the order in which it shall be offered. It has not as yet been decided by the state to call Steve Adams as a witness. He is on the state's list and it was for the time being deemed certain that he will be brought here and willingly or unwillingly, placed on the stand. The matter is now in doubt and will not be determined until later.

Late yesterday afternoon the attorneys for the state and defense were served with a list of the names drawn on the new venire, and have been busily engaged ever since in examining into the qualifications or disqualifications of the men composing the panel. Both sides have had agents in the county for several months past, and practically every man who has expressed a decided opinion one way or the other as to the guilt or innocence of the accused miners is known.

This fact was illustrated on the part of the defense when on two occasions talesmen in the jury box were confronted by men with whom they were alleged to have discussed the case from a partisan standpoint.

Eugene Debs, Socialist and labor agitator, is expected to come to this city at any time, one report being that he is on his way here. His coming is deprecated by counsel for the defense.

Fred Miller, of the associated counsel, made the following statement this morning relative to Debs:

"The jury which is to try Haywood will not be in sympathy with Socialists and any effort to make socialism an issue will be to the detriment of the defendant. The socialists now here understand the situation and are not exploiting their views except through their respective papers.

"Debs might not follow their example and counsel for the defense feel sorry he is coming here. The question of socialism is entirely foreign to the trial, the only point being whether the Western Federation officers conspired to murder Steunenberg. We have for this reason done all in our power recently to discourage the socialist writers and publishers have compiled with our requests."

CHICAGO STRIKE.

CHICAGO, May 22.—All trades except the carpenters, were ordered on a strike

yesterday at Sans Souci park, where preparations were being rushed for the opening of the amusement resort next Saturday. About 250 men, including painters, plumbers, electricians, sheet-metal workers and cement workers, stopped work.

SALVADOR REVOLUTION.

Message Received In Mexico City—A Move of Zelaya.

MEXICO CITY, May 22.—The news of the outbreak of a revolution in Salvador was received here with the greatest interest. While no confirmation has been received in official circles there is a general disposition to discredit the news. It is known that President Zelaya, or Nicaragua, desires the man of his choice as the President of Salvador. To head his revolution, Zelaya, has chosen Dr. Prudente Alfara who was hostile to the Figueras. The expected blow was not however expected until Zelaya had pacified Honduras and placed Davila securely in power.

STEEL TRESTLE COLLAPSED.

Short Circuited Electric Wires—Several Men Injured.

GREAT FALLS, Mont., May 22.—By the collapse of about 200 feet of a newly erected steel trestle, which supported the bar line which conveys the electrical current from the power house to the electrolytic plant at the Boston & Montana Smelter, eleven men were injured, one, Ole Olsen, probably fatally, and five horses were killed yesterday.

As the trestle fell and twisted, the electric wires became short circuited and the wrecked trestle was enveloped in a sheet of flame. Several of them were severely injured.

EXPORT FIGURES

Show a Great Decrease From Previous Week.

WATERFRONT STRIKE BLAMED

Unions Claim the Managers Are Trying To Starve Men Out But Are Satisfied With Situation—Manager Claims To Have Strike In Hand.

NEW YORK, May 22.—That the strike of the longshoremen is having a serious effect upon business, is apparently indicated by the comparative figures of exports just given out at the custom house.

Last week, the first week of the strike, the exports from this port dropped \$6,944,890 below the figures of the previous week. Custom house officials believe that no shrinkage will be noticed this week.

Operating Manager Thomas of the International Mercantile Marine when shown the custom house figures, made this comment:

"No doubt the exports fell off last week, but that was before we had the situation as well in hand as we have now."

Normally the exports to England approach \$5,000,000 weekly. Last week they shrank to \$1,914,000. Exports to Germany are normally \$1,750,000 per week. Last week they amounted to only \$503,000.

The White Star liner Adriatic will sail today on her first trip across. With her will go J. Bruce Ismay, president of the International Mercantile Marine, who came here to inquire into the strike situation, but did not take any steps to settle the trouble.

Strike Leader Connors declares himself as confident that the Union will win the strike.

"The customs figures," said he, "reveal the truth that the companies have been trying to conceal. This strike is about the biggest thing the steamship men have had to deal with in many years and it is only the belief that they will finally starve us out that makes them continue it. But we are able to stand it as well, if not better than the companies. We will not return to work until our demands are granted."